

New State and Federal Documents, October and November, 2008

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Two shipments of state and federal documents have been added to the State Library. This month we received several more agency accountability reports (housed in the Documents Reference room on the first floor) and some titles on a timely subject: South Carolina economy.

Fiscal Sustainability in South Carolina: Trends and Issues. Clemson Strom Thurmond Institute.

Ellen W. Saltzman and Holley Hewitt Ulbrich have another in the series on public revenue and spending issued by the Institute. This report is quite current, with narrative and some statistics reflecting this year's economic situation in South Carolina and nationwide. It examines trends in state revenue and expenditures, identifies current challenges to revenue and spending, and discusses the strength of the state's revenue system to support future spending. Their conclusions are not too optimistic, unless the state takes steps to stabilize and strengthen its budget resources in an enhanced General Reserve Fund, resistance to further earmarking, and diversification in revenue sources.

Base Labor Market Analysis. SC Dept of Commerce.

The Department of Commerce has been busy updating the labor market analyses of all the counties. These publications have much of their information reflecting 2007 statistics. Lots of graphs and good use of color. The publications are also available in their online Documents Library.

2008 Small Business and Entrepreneurship Resource Guide. SC Department of Commerce.

A great guide to statewide services!

2009 Certified Roadside Market Directory. SC Dept of Agriculture.

This handy booklet will fit neatly into a glove compartment or pocket for easy access. The Certified Roadside Market Program was established in 1972 to brand and promote South Carolina products. The directory lists participating markets that meet certain standards and display the Certified SC Grown logo on market billboards and point-of-sale signs. Included in the directory is a seasonal availability chart for several fruits, vegetables, and nuts. Markets are listed by county and include complete contact information and a short location description.

Move for Life DVD. USC Office for the Study of Aging.

Move for Life is an exercise program designed for adults 50 years and older. It is designed to increase physical activity and to improve the ability to function and complete everyday tasks. Users can choose to follow the complete routine or to participate in any of three separate activities: breathing and stretching, strength and balance, or cardio.

South Carolina Guide to Freshwater Fishes. Dept of Natural Resources

Did you know that there is a set of ethic principles for fishing (or angling, as it is called in this publication)? There is, and our fishery resources are better for them! The Angler Ethics is only one page in this handy booklet that identifies almost 40 different fish swimming in our waters. Descriptions include a color photograph, habitat, range, length, weight, food, spawning and other information. It is both an encyclopedia and a fishing guide!

The FBI, A Centennial History, 1908-2008. U.S. Department of Justice.

The FBI has put together a book of its 100-year history, from a tentative beginning to an agency working internationally and nationally to stop terrorism, cyber crime, and other global dangers. Throughout are fantastic photos from the Library of Congress archives and from national news services.

There are copies of these documents available for checkout or loan. Many are also available electronically. Check the State Library catalog, Weblion, for availability. Shipping lists of state documents received are available on the webpages for State Documents Depository Program.